



South Coast  
Air Quality Management District  
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**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**PROJECT TITLE: TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANT REDUCTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SCAQMD RULES 1420.1 AND 1402 AT THE EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES FACILITY IN VERNON, CA**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the Lead Agency and has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the proposed project identified above, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines §§ 15187 and 15189. Exide Technologies is proposing a project to reduce toxic emissions of arsenic, benzene and 1,3-butadiene to comply with the recent amendments made to SCAQMD Rule 1420.1 - Emission Standards for Lead and Other Toxic Air Contaminants from Large Lead-Acid Battery Recycling Facilities, as well as to assure compliance with requirements in SCAQMD Rule 1402 - Control of Toxic Air Contaminants from Existing Sources including the proposed Revised Final Risk Reduction Plan. The Draft MND relies on the Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for Rule 1420.1, which was certified by the SCAQMD Governing Board on January 10, 2014 (SCAQMD No. 131010JK, State Clearinghouse No. 2013101035). Based on the analysis of the proposed project in the Draft MND, there would be no significant adverse impacts to any environmental area after mitigation implementation. The purpose of this Notice of Intent (NOI) is to solicit comments on the environmental analysis contained in the Draft MND.

If the proposed project has no bearing on you or your organization, no action on your part is necessary. The Draft MND and other relevant documents may be obtained by calling the SCAQMD Public Information Center at (909) 396-2039 or accessing the SCAQMD's CEQA website at <http://aqmd.gov/home/library/documents-support-material/lead-agency-permit-projects/permit-project-documents---year-2014>. Comments focusing on issues relative to the environmental analysis for the proposed project will be accepted during a 30-day public review and comment period beginning October 16, 2014, and ending 5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2014. Please send any comments to Ms. Cynthia Carter (c/o Office of Planning, Rule Development, and Area Sources) at the address shown above. Comments can also be sent via facsimile to (909) 396-3324 or e-mail at [ccarter@aqmd.gov](mailto:ccarter@aqmd.gov). Ms. Carter can be reached by calling (909) 396-2431. Please include the name and phone number of the contact person. In addition, the SCAQMD is proposing to revise Exide's Title V Permit to install new and modify existing air pollution control systems for this project. Notice of the proposed permit revision and other information related to providing separate comments on the proposed permit revision can be viewed at the following link and by typing in the facility ID # 124838 <http://www3.aqmd.gov/webappl/publicnotices2/>.

**Date:** October 15, 2014

**Signature:**

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**Project Title:**

Toxic Air Contaminant Reduction for Compliance with SCAQMD Rules 1420.1 and 1402 at the Exide Technologies Facility in Vernon, CA

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**Project Location:**

Exide Technologies, 2700 South Indiana Street, Vernon, CA 90058

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**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

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([http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile\\_report.asp?global\\_id=80001733](http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=80001733); accessed on September 16, 2014).

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**Lead Agency:**

South Coast Air Quality Management District

**Division:**

Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

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**The Draft MND and all supporting documentation are available at:**

SCAQMD Headquarters  
21865 Copley Drive  
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

**or by calling:**

(909) 396-2039

**The Draft MND and supporting documentation is available online by accessing the SCAQMD's website at:**

<http://aqmd.gov/home/library/documents-support-material/lead-agency-permit-projects/permit-project-documents---year-2014>

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**The Public Notice of Intent is provided through the following:**

☒ Los Angeles Times (October 16, 2014)

☒ SCAQMD Website

☒ SCAQMD Mailing List

☒ La Opinión (October 17, 2014)

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**Draft MND Review Period (30-day):**

October 16, 2014 – November 14, 2014

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**Send CEQA Comments to:**

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